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* JOHN DALY HEADS SLATE FOR ANNUAL ELECTIONS NEXT THURSDAY; *
* OVERSEAS PRESS CLUB TO HOLD FIRST MEETING UNDER NEW CONSTITUTION *
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Next Thursday -- April 26 -- the Overseas Press Club will elect officers and Board of Governors members for the 1951-1952 term at the Annual Meeting to be held at the New York Newspaper Guild Club, 133 West 44th Street at 8 PM. (Please note change of place: the Newspaper Guild instead of Toots Shor's Restaurant, as previously announced).

Leading a slate of candidates proposed by the Nominations Committee will be JOHN DALY, former war correspondent and now ABC broadcaster and commentator, who will run to succeed LOUIS P. LOCHNER as President of the Overseas Press Club. Named as candidates for other

"AMERICAN PRESS LOOKS AT THE WORLD" TO BE THEME OF MAY 16 AWARDS DINNER

An exciting departure from the pattern of previous OPC Annual Dinners will be introduced this year with a new and dramatic discussion of the "American Press Looks at the World" as a feature of the Club's Awards Presentation Dinner in the Waldorf Astoria Hotel's Grand Ballroom on Wednesday, May 16.

The thought-provoking presentation, according to an announcement by the Dinner Committee, will take the form of a controversial question-and-answer debate between top foreign affairs experts and representatives of prominent regional newspapers. EDWARD R. MURROW, distinguished CBS commentator and news analyst, will be moderator of the two panels. Members of the foreign affairs experts group

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offices are WILLIAM P. GRAY, PATRICIA LOCHRIDGE and RALPH H. MAJOR, JR., for Vice Presidents, and JOSEPH J. WURZEL, for the newly-created post of Secretary-Treasurer.

Next Thursday's meeting, according to President LOUIS P. LOCHNER, will be one of the most important in the history of the Club, for elections and business to be transacted on this occasion will be governed by provisions of the new OPC Constitution adopted January 29.

While Associate and Guest Members are welcome to attend the meeting, only Active Members may vote. Remember to bring your membership cards, President LOCHNER advises all Active Members.

Committee Chairmen, President LOCHNER also announced, should be prepared to render verbal reports of their year's activities.

All Members are urged to be present at the meeting at the Newspaper Guild on Thursday.

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will be Past President BOB CONSIDINE, author and INS correspondent; HAL BOYLE, columnist and former war correspondent for the Associated Press; H. V. KALTENBORN, dean of radio commentators and NBC correspondent; and CURTIS REYNOLDS, distinguished foreign correspondent and editor of United Nations World.

To this panel of Club experts will be addressed controversial questions by publishers, editors and correspondents representing newspapers in all parts of the U.S. Among these regional guests will be Erwin D. Canham, editor of the Christian Science Monitor, and others.

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: A slash in subscription rates was also announced this week by the Dinner :
: Committee. New fee for one Member and a guest will be only \$9. each, while :
: additional guests will be admitted for the new reduced rate of \$12.50 per :
: person. Previous subscriptions had been announced at \$10 for Members and :
: one guest, and \$15 per person for other guests. :
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At this week's meeting of the Dinner Committee, President LOUIS P. LOCHNER reported that Alberto Gainza Paz, editor and publisher of Argentina's suspended La Prensa, had cabled regrets at his inability to accept the Club's invitation to be a special guest of honor at the May 16 dinner. Dr. Paz, now in temporary exile in Colonia, Uruguay, followed his cable with a letter which President LOCHNER read.

"I want to thank you very sincerely for your cable inviting me to attend as a guest of honor the Annual Awards Dinner of the Overseas Press Club of America", Dr. Paz wrote. "Unfortunately, at present, circumstances make almost imperative my staying in Uruguay at least for a few months. That is why I cannot accept your invitation as I would like to do because, in addition to its meaning and the honor involved, it would have given me the opportunity of meeting many friends whose moral support is a real inspiration and encouragement. Looking forward to the pleasure of seeing you in the not too distant future, I am, yours sincerely, A. Gainza Paz."

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#### \*\*\*\*COMING EVENTS\*\*\*\*

Thursday, May 1 -- A special program event on this day will be an exclusive preview of the new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer feature production of "Go For Broke", a dramatic story of the heroic exploits of the 442nd Infantry Regiment, an outfit composed of Nisei, starring Van Johnson. Place: the M-G-M Projection Theater, top floor, 1540 Broadway. The time: 6:30 PM. No reservations are necessary; but only the first 75 arriving will be guaranteed seats.

#### OFFICIAL NOTICES

Awards Committee Meeting ..... Clubrooms ..... Monday, April 23, 5:30 PM  
Dinner Committee Meeting ..... Clubrooms ..... Tuesday, April 24, 5:30 PM

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**ALTERNATES**  
MATTHEW HUTTNER  
CORNELIUS J. RYAN

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: NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS :  
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ACTIVE     John Harlan Althen, Public Affairs Division, USCOA, Vienna. France, April to December, 1945; Mexico, 1947; Vienna, 1947 to 1951, all for Stars & Stripes. Proposed by GEORGE S. WELLS; seconded by HUGH CONWAY.

Robert Daniel Graff, NBC Press Department. France, September 1946 to January 1949, for United Press. Proposed by JOSEF C. DINE; seconded by GEORGE HICKS.

Bernard L. Yudain, managing editor, Greenwich (Conn.) Time. Italy, March to November, 1945, for Stars & Stripes; 1944, roving assignments to Austria and Germany; also public relations officer, 15th Air Force. Proposed by PAULINE FREDERICK; seconded by LEONORE SILVIAN.

Ernie Hill, UN correspondent for Chicago Daily News foreign service. Latin-America, 1945 to 1947; England, Italy, 1948; Italy, Africa, 1949; all for Chicago Daily News Foreign Service. Proposed by LEE HILLS; seconded by MAC R. JOHNSON.

CORNELIUS J. RYAN, Chairman of the Admissions Committee announces the election by the Board of Governors, to guest membership in the Overseas Press Club of America of the following candidates:

BEN BASSETT, foreign news, editor, Associated Press  
MADELINE D. ROSS, Child Study Association of America  
GEORGE G. HERZ, assistant to Danton Walker, New York Daily News

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: OPC MEMBERS GET INTO THE ACT :  
: IN COVERING MacARTHUR STORY; :  
: BEECH HITS PRESS RELATIONS :  
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OPCers in Washington, Tokyo and elsewhere scored significant beats last week, when General MacArthur was relieved of his Pacific commands, and are now continuing on-the-spot coverage of the story. First news the public had of President Truman's dramatic action came over NBC on a direct-from-the-White-House hookup arranged by MORGAN BEATTY. And, on April 12, GEORGE THOMAS FOLSTER, NBC correspondent in Tokyo, achieved a two-hour scoop with details of MacArthur's then forthcoming flight to the U.S.

Rushed to San Francisco to cover the General's arrival there was Past President BOB CONSIDINE of INS who, in addition to reporting the event, represented the Overseas Press Club in a personal conference with MacArthur. Also on hand was MERRILL (Red) MUELLER of NBC, Frisco bureau chief, who broadcast General MacArthur's arrival on April 17. Further coverage of the MacArthur arrival will be featured on EDWARD R. MURROW's "Hear It Now" show over CBS on April 20.

Meanwhile, in a dispatch filed from Anchorage, Alaska, Chicago Daily News war correspondent KEYES BEECH penned a bitter "30" to MacArthur's relations with the press in Tokyo. "If you were a correspondent who wrote favorable stories about MacArthur, you had access to MacArthur", the veteran newsman said. "If you wrote critical stories, you didn't. In four years of covering Japan and MacArthur's headquarters, I wrote both kinds of stories. I didn't have access to MacArthur. It was as simple as that."

BEECH declared it was his personal opinion that "MacArthur has nothing but good-natured contempt for the press, even those members who served him." He recalled a retort given by Col. Marion (Pat) Echols, his public information officer, when asked to arrange a meeting between MacArthur and newsmen. "Why should be waste time on you guys?", BEECH quoted Echols as saying. "He doesn't have to."

Another OPCer figured in news of the MacArthur story early this week. On the General's stop-over in Honolulu, Life photographer CARL MYDANS was manhandled by Air Force police and ordered to "get out of here" by an AF captain, as he tried to take pictures at Hickam Field. Admiral Arthur W. Radford later expressed regret over the incident.



WAYNE PENNINGTON, PR manager for Lederle Laboratories, has been elected to the Public Relations Society of America....Past President BOB CONSIDINE last week received a citation from the Father Duffy Post, Catholic War Veterans, for his demonstrated opposition to Communism....Recent headline speaker at the Kentucky Education Association's annual meeting in Louisville was HENRY C. WOLFE....

Ohio's FRED B. BARTON reports he has recently sold a piece based on a ride he once wangled "with some effort and wire-pulling" in a diesel locomotive....Member of a four-man panel discussing "What Should Be Our Policy Toward Aggressor Satellite Nations?" over Westchester's station WFAS on April 15 was JACK DOORTY of Tide magazine...WILLIAM DOERFLINGER's "Shantymen and Shantyboys", a book of more than 150 collected deep-water sea songs and ballads published last December by the Macmillan Company, has received critical plaudits from the Los Angeles Times, Maine Coast, Boston Sunday Herald, Chicago Sunday Tribune, the Library Journal, the Saturday Review of Literature Syndicate, the Musical Leader and other publications recently. DOERFLINGER is now information specialist with the U. S. Embassy in Rome...King Features' GRACE CORSON ailing recently. Hopes to be up around again soon...

According to Time Inc's F.Y.I., Life photographer ELIOT ELISOFFON recently cooked up a genuine borsch (borsht, bortsh or borshch) to help Life's modern living editor prepare a piece for the current issue on "Five Great Soups". His recipe was the one used in the article...

Back in New York after a vacation in Mexico is Life's DAVID DOUGLAS DUNCAN. His picture book, "This Is War", now on Harper Brothers' presses, will be out in June....After finishing his second Korean war assignment, CARL MYDANS, photographer for Life, has returned for several weeks to his home in California, for a vacation with his wife and two children. He'll then head on back to New York shortly to work out of Life's home office for a few months....H.V. KALTENBORN, founder of the Radio Pioneers, presided at the Pioneers' dinner on April 17 in New York...BILL (CBS Far East) COSTELLO and wife in Anderson, S.C., for a lecture and an interview with the OPC's JAMES R. YOUNG over WAIM. BILL has been in Florida with his wife, as well as keeping lecture dates en route to Washington. Also working on a book....

SERVICE STAR DEPARTMENT: Another OPCer called back to the colors, as a Captain in the Army Reserve, is JOHN MCTIGUE, formerly of Radio Free Europe. Reports to Fort Riley, Kansas, May 1.....

PATRICK E. NIEBURG leaves the end of May to assume new duties as Radio Free Europe's bureau chief for Scandinavia, with headquarters in Stockholm....Following his return recently from a nine-month stay in Europe, LEO MARGULIES resigned as an editor of Standard Magazines. He plans to head back to Europe after a brief stay here....JOHN GUNTHER off to California for a month's trip April 30.....

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OVERSEAS PRESS CLUB TO PARTICIPATE  
IN RECEPTION OF FOREIGN VISITORS  
BY NEW YORK CITY MAYOR'S COMMITTEE

Future visits to New York of distinguished foreign guests will find the Overseas Press Club participating in extending greetings and hospitality. An arrangement for the OPC to participate in planning functions for foreign dignitaries, and especially for newsmen accompanying them on official visits to the U.S., was blueprinted this week. The mutual-cooperation agreement was cemented in a conference between the Hon. Grover A. Whalen, Chairman of the Mayor's Reception Committee, and Secretary RALPH H. MAJOR, JR.

Acknowledging an OPC letter offering Club facilities to assist the Mayor's Committee in entertaining such guests as President Vincent Auriol of France, and correspondents with his party, Mr. Whalen expressed great interest in the Club's Foreign Journalists Reception Committee program and congratulated the Club on having entertained French newsmen in the French President's entourage at a cocktail party April 3.

Mr. Whalen also invited the Overseas Press Club to send a representative to future meetings of the Mayor's Committee devoted to scheduling functions for distinguished guests. OPC officers, he said, will also have an opportunity to attend City affairs and assist in greeting foreign newsmen assigned to cover them.

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OUR PRIZE-WINNING COLLEAGUES: A singular honor came this week to HAL LEHRMAN, writer and lecturer who received a \$4,000 fellowship award from the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation. One of 154 American and Canadian scholars, scientists, artists, composers and writers to receive awards totalling \$568,000, LEHRMAN will undertake a behind-the-scenes survey of the new State of Israel.

Five OPCers are among those receiving Sigma Delta Chi's awards for distinguished service in American journalism during 1950. A dual award for foreign correspondence is shared by KEYES BEECH of the Chicago Daily News and the AP's DON WHITEHEAD. Winner in the news picture category was Life's DAVID DOUGLAS DUNCAN, while HOWARD WHITMAN won the magazine reporting citation for his Collier's series beginning with, "The City That Does Something About Sex Crime". Then, for outstanding "research in journalism", ROBERT S. HARPER was tapped for his book, "Lincoln and the Press" (recently named July selection of the History Book Club). Distinguished service award medallions and certificates will be presented the winners at a Waldorf-Astoria dinner on May 24...

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SUMMER COTTAGE WANTED: Magazine editor and family would like to rent or sublet furnished summer cottage, minimum of two bedrooms, near beach, within reasonable commuting distance of Manhattan. From June 15 to about September 15. Telephone RALPH H. MAJOR, JR., Plaza 9-3232, or evenings, ALgonquin 4-7731.

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ROME DATELINE:--(Special to The Bulletin) -- J. NORMAN LODGE, former AP correspondent, recently became the second OPC Member to be decorated by the Order of Malta. He received a Cross of Merit from the ancient order of knighthood. RALPH H. MAJOR, JR., of Coronet, during the war was made a Magistral Knight of the

Order. LODGE, now with the American Legion, completed a five-week world tour of 34 countries in connection with the Legion's "Tide of Toys" campaign...

Sardinia is quite a frontier land, reports FRANK BRUTTO of AP who, with the UP's Joseph Baicich and James Wellard of the Chicago Times, spent a week there recently...Barrett McGurn of the New York Herald Tribune back after two months in the U.S., taking over from William Humphreys ....Reynolds Packard also back from the U.S. and displaying a photostat of a five-figure check from Time Inc. in settlement of a suit....Norman Montellier, UP bureau chief, and JACK L. BEGON of NBC attended the opening of the Turin Auto Show recently...Rome hospital patients this week included Eleanor Packard at the Blue Sisters Clinic and DOROTHY CAREW at Rome's new million-dollar International Hospital....

Recent visitors here included Cy Sulzberger and Arthur Krock of the New York Times and columnist Drew Pearson...."Lively and well-informed," says the Paris edition of the Herald Tribune of the new guidebook, "Italy in 1951", whose contributors include WALTER WEISBECKER, DOROTHY CAREW, JOSEPH ROSAPEPE, Reynolds and Eleanor Packard, James Edmunds and other Rome writers. Book was published in New York March 31....Rome correspondents away on assignment: Edmund Stevens in Iran, and George Weller in Pakistan.-- (JOSEPH ROSAPEPE).

THE OVERSEAS TICKER



The month of March produced an excess of income over expenditure amounting to \$328.80, Treasurer JOSEPH WURZEL reported to the Board of Governors at the closing session of this administration's term of office. Income for the month was \$1,840, while disbursements totalled \$1,512.06.

For the year ended March 31, 1951, the gross income from all sources was \$15,909.74, while expenses amounted to \$20,821.75, producing a net loss for the year of \$4,912.01. Losses which were incurred earlier in the year in connection with luncheons, cocktail parties and other Club functions, have now been halted and are currently producing some profit. Steps have also been taken to reduce the \$2,224 loss on The Bulletin. Increased dues coupled with economies in various Club operations should, WURZEL hopes, strengthen the Club's financial position.

Club assets at the close of its fiscal year March 31, 1951, totalled \$10,932.80, of which \$7,826.19 represented cash in hand or at the bank; \$2,454 in furniture and fittings; \$351.40 in the refreshment fund and \$300.44 in prepaid expenses for the Awards Presentation Dinner.

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In association with the "March of Time", BILL VANDIVERT is directing and producing a 16 mm. commercial film in color on the bituminous coal industry. When it's finished, he, Rita and daughter Susan plan a trip in September to England, France and Italy....The Boston Post's GRACE DAVIDSON reports her trip to Paris, Rome, Athens and the Holy Land "was not a junket (as The Bulletin had said) but a regular assignment". Proof: she wrote 36 pieces with a total of 40,000 words, interviewed David Ben Gurion, visited the tumultuous Syrian border land, wrote from Beersheba after a trip through the Negeb desert and later filed stories from Rome and Paris, the latter place providing information for fashion coverage. Since her return, GRACE DAVIDSON has related her experiences on the Boston Post's radio and TV program.

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Guest experts on the CBS series, "You and the World: War in '51", on April 18 and 19 were FRANK GIBNEY, former Time-Life bureau chief in Tokyo, and HARRY KERN, foreign editor of Newsweek....J. NORMAN LODGE, of American Legion public relations, back in Washington after a whirlwind trip through Asia and Europe with National Commander Erle Cocke, Jr. ....

Club Headquarters still needs volunteers to help with secretarial work in connection with plans for the Awards Presentation Dinner. If you can spare an afternoon or an evening, please telephone Executive Secretary Janica Griffiths at Longacre 4-0174....Grapevine has TEMPLE FIELDING blueprinting an ambitious project; plans to sign up 15 millionaires for a seven-day tour of Europe and Africa...the tariff: \$15,000 per.

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